### **Council Meeting**

September 11, 2003

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, September 11, 2003, at 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen Wayne Bullard, M. C. Nelson and Joel Hunnicutt; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Works Director, John Thursby; Police Chief, Terry Davis: Interim City Attorney, Pope Langdale.

Mayor Crowe called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

Mayor Crowe called on Council Hunnicutt, to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the invocation given by Council Bullard.

REVIEW/CORRECTION OF AUGUST 4, 2003 COUNCIL MINUTES AND AUGUST  $25^{TH}$ , 2003 CALLED COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Nelson made a motion to approve the August 4 Council Meeting Minutes and the August 25<sup>th</sup> Called Council Meeting Minutes, seconded by Council Hunnicutt. Vote was unanimous.

#### **REVIEW OF BILLS**

Mayor Crowe asked Council to review the bills.

### **DEPARTMENT REQUESTS**

#### A. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Work on ditch behind Meadowbrook Apartments

Public Works Director, John Thursby, asked for Council's approval to install a drainage pipe in the ditch behind Meadowbrook Apartments and then grass the area. Cost would be \$2,000.00.

2. Fence at Grover Chandlers

Public Works Director, John Thursby, recommended taking the wood fence down and install a chain link fence, as it would help to reduce traffic problems. Cost would be \$850.00.

3. Ditch at Hall Street

Public Works Director, John Thursby, reported that this would have to be surveyed and obtain easements.

4. Attendance of School in Carrollton, GA to maintain certification

Public Works Director, John Thursby, requested permission to attend a school in Carrollton for the purpose of maintaining the certification for the water and wastewater for the City. The school would be December 8-12 and would cost \$190.00, plus motel and meals. This is a budgeted item and is a requirement by the state.

### 5. Extension of steel building at barn

Public Works Director, John Thursby, requested the city allow the PWD to extend the eaves of the building 10 feet, which would help prevent equipment from getting wet during the rainy season. This is a budgeted item. One bid was received from Steel Erection, LLC for the price of \$3,316.34.

Mayor Crowe called for a motion on the Consent Agenda.

Council Hunnicutt made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

## PURCHASE OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTS - PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Director, John Thursby, asked for permission to purchase new Christmas lights. Cost would be up to \$5,000.00.

Council Bullard made a motion to buy the Christmas lights, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

TRUCK FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS-APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR NOV. TO JAN.  $1^{\rm ST}$  – PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Director, John Thursby, asked for permission to look for a bucket truck. The rental fees for a bucket truck is \$1,800.00 per month. The city has already spent around \$4,000.00 this year in rental fees. He stated that the truck would pay for itself within  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years.

Council Nelson made a motion to approve spending up to \$10,000.00 on a used bucket truck, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

# REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF STEAM CLEANING MACHINE-PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Director, John Thursby, requested the purchase of a new steam cleaning machine for maintaining city equipment. The machine would be used mainly to maintain the garbage truck, as it requires hot water to keep the oils and grease off of the truck. He recommended the Alkota machine from Southern Cleaning Systems for \$3,245.00. This is not a budgeted item, however there is money available in the Sanitation Department that can be used to purchase this equipment.

Council Bullard made a motion to purchase the machine, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

#### REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF MOWER - PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Director, John Thurby, requested the purchase of a Zero turning-riding mower for maintaining the sidewalks and parks. He recommended a John Deere from Reliable Tractor at a cost of \$5,490.00. This is a budgeted item.

Council Bullard made a motion to purchase the mower, seconded by Council Nelson. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

# REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF BACKHOE – PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Director, John Thursby, requested the purchase of a new backhoe for the PWD from Reliable Tractor at a cost of \$55,894.00. The new backhoe would replace the old 410B, that is currently in service. This could be purchased with SPLOST V funds. He recommended the John Deere.

Council Nelson made a motion to purchase the backhoe, seconded by Council Hunnicutt. Vote was unanimous.

# REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF PATROL CAR - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief, Terry Davis, requested the purchase of a new Dodge Intrepid for the Police Department. The cost would be \$19,053.00.

Council Nelson made a motion to purchase the Dodge Intrepid for \$19,053.00, seconded by Council Bullard. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION FOR SIGNATURE CARD CHANGES AT CITIZENS COMMUNITY BANK AND COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY

Mayor Crowe reported on the signature changes that needed to be made at both banks.

Council Hunnicutt made a motion to execute the changes, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

AGREEMENT TO MAINTAIN MILLAGE RATE OF 5.38 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004

Mayor Crowe reported on the millage rate. There will be three public hearings.

Council Bullard made a motion to maintain the millage rate at 5.38, seconded by Council Nelson. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

# PURCHASE PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

Mayor Crowe recommended purchasing the public address system for \$649.99 from Rutlands.

Council Hunnicutt made a motion to purchase the public address system, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

REPORTS

COUNCIL

Council Nelson reported on the houses that are being build in Edgewater subdivision. The Fire Department is going to burn the old Daniels house. Dr. Moye has built another house in Audubon Heights Subdivision.

Council Hunnicutt had no report.

Council Bullard had no report.

Mayor Crowe reported that the Honey Bee Festival is coming up.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Crowe called for a motion to adjourn and enter into Executive Session. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to adjourn and enter into Executive Session, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting ended at 8:00 P.M.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Marilyn Brady, City Clerk

# **Public Hearing**

September 12, 2003 (6 PM)

The City Council of the City of Hahira met for a Public Hearing on Friday, September 12, 2003 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen Wayne Bullard and M. C. Nelson; Clerk, Marilyn Brady.

Mayor Crowe stated that the purpose of the meeting was to establish the millage rate at 5.38.

He asked for those in favor to speak. There was no response.

He asked for those against to speak. There was no response.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Marilyn Brady, City Clerk

# **Public Hearing**

September 12, 2003 (8:30 AM)

The City Council of the City of Hahira met for a Public Hearing on Friday, September 12, 2003 at 8:30 A.M. at City Hall with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen Wayne Bullard and M. C. Nelson; Clerk, Marilyn Brady.

Mayor Crowe stated that the purpose of the meeting was to establish the millage rate at 5.38.

He asked for those in favor to speak. There was no response.

He asked for those against to speak. There was no response.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 A.M.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Marilyn Brady, City Clerk

### **Public Hearing**

September 23, 2003

The City Council of the City of Hahira met for a Public Hearing on Friday, September 23, 2003 at 6:30 P.M. at the Courthouse with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen Wayne Bullard, M. C. Nelson and Terry Benjamin; Clerk, Marilyn Brady.

Mayor Crowe swore in Terry Benjamin, District 1 Councilman.

A quorum was established.

Mayor Crowe called on Council Bullard to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation given by Mayor Crowe.

Mayor Crowe reviewed the 2004 Budget.

He asked for those in favor to speak. There was no response.

He asked for those against to speak. There was no response.

Mayor Crowe reported that the millage rate would be 5.38.

He asked for those in favor of keeping the millage rate the same to speak. Council Nelson stated that we should keep it the same.

Mayor Crowe asked for those against keeping the millage rate the same to speak. There was no response.

Mayor Crowe called for a motion. Council Nelson made a motion to adopt the same millage rate of 5.38. Vote was unanimous.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Crowe called for a motion to adjourn. Council Benjamin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting ended at 6:38 P.M.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Marilyn Brady, City Clerk